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(54) Multilayer blankout signs.

(57) A novel light diffusing resin (material) has been invented which combines excellent light diffusing properties with high light transmission. The combination of properties is possible because the material does not significantly backscatter light. Also, the material exhibits good contact clarity. This light diffusing material is an excellent choice for use in blankout signs. A non-reflecting translucent white sheet [1] is placed behind a transparent bronze overlay [1]. The message [3] is seen only when the sign is illuminated.

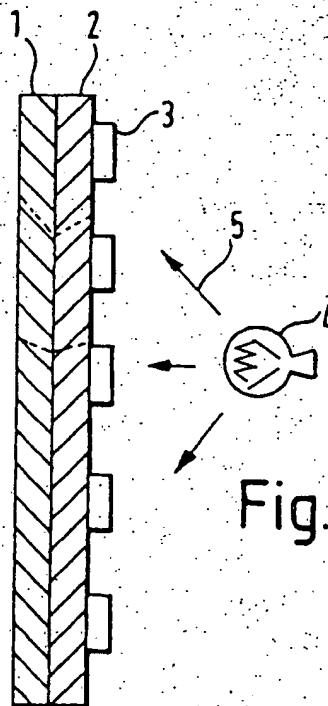


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